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## **ABC Revokes License at Gilroy Bar for Illegal Activity**

*Investigators Found Violations Involving Illegal Drink Solicitations*

**Gilroy- Hecker Pass Road** - Today the California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) revoked the license of La Cantinita located at 4405 Hecker Pass Road in Gilroy.

ABC investigators conducted numerous undercover investigations at the premises and filed an accusation containing 28 counts of illegal solicitation of drinks, a violation of section 24200.5 of the California Business and Professions Code.

The Department conducted undercover operations at the bar in 2004 and 2005. Employees were found to be illegally soliciting undercover investigators to buy them drinks from the bar. Employees would solicit them to buy drinks and the money from the sale was split between the employee and the bar.

As a result of today's action, no sales of alcohol will occur at this location for at least one year and possibly longer until the license is successfully transferred to a person or persons acceptable to the Department. The Department will scrutinize any applicant to verify personal qualification and the ability of that person to conduct business in full compliance with the ABC Act.

ABC is a department of the Business, Transportation and Housing Agency, which is under the direction of Dale E. Bonner, a member of the Governor's Cabinet.